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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114**

Sir:

Further to the final action dated April 18, 2006 received in the patent application identified above, Applicant requests continued examination of the claims as amended herein with respect to the references designated in the attached Information Disclosure Statement.